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# 30 Years of Progress

1913



Our celebration of the store's Thirtieth Anniversary will begin Saturday with a program of special offerings from all the Departments. Amazing values will be given, some of which are mentioned in this advertisement.

**RE-PRODUCTION** of our first advertisement taken from the Daily Capital of June 20, 1883. Read it and see how nearly we have succeeded in carrying out the policy outlined.

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## Mills, M'Pherson & Co.

The New Dry Goods House

About June 20th we will open the store at 225 Kansas avenue, formerly occupied by A. D. Robbins & Co.

We take this means of introducing ourselves to the people of Topeka and Shawnee county as a new dry goods firm.

We engage in this business here because we are pleased with the Capital City and consider its future prospects very promising.

Our Facilities for Purchasing the most desirable Dry Goods at Low Prices are Unexcelled.

It shall always be our aim to furnish to the people of the city and county just the kind of goods in our line they want and in the best qualities of their respective kinds.

We shall sell our goods at One Price to everybody, and every article bought of us can be depended on as being exactly as represented. Whatever business we do shall be done squarely.

Our buyer has occupied himself for some time in looking through the Eastern markets. In consequence of the coolness of the season he secured a great many surprising bargains. He also had the good fortune to be just in time for many New Styles which are now out for the fine Summer retail trade. We shall be very much pleased and encouraged if you visit our store on the Opening Day, irrespective of any intention of buying.

Mills, M'Pherson & Co.

**Nun's Colored Floss** regularly 30c a dozen skeins, will be closed out in the Anniversary Sale at this very **5c doz.** low price.

At this price we cannot make refunds or exchanges.

## Fine \$3.50 Oxfords Special \$2.45

One of our best styles—with low heel, and round toe—

Main Floor.

This we believe is the most attractive offer we have made, in shoes at a special price—the style is all that could be desired, in lace oxfords—for these have the correctly shaped round toe with tip, the very desirable low heel, and are made in both patent and dull leather. Taken from our regular \$3.50 stock and priced for Saturday at \$2.45.

## \$3 Silk Umbrellas \$2.19

Women's all-silk taffeta, 26-inch umbrellas in navy, brown, red and green, with mission handles, sheath, and tassels. A very special offer of regular \$3.00 quality new umbrellas, for \$2.19. Anniversary price.

Mills' Mail Order service for promptness.

## Many Attractions in the Department of Women's and Children's Apparel

### \$5.00 Dressy Blouses

Many of the season's prettiest styles, for which you would expect to pay more, are priced here at \$5.00. The assortments include various styles in white and cream nets and shadow laces, and combinations of these materials, some with brilliant Bulgarian embroideries; fancy chiffons, silks and colored nets prettily trimmed—with low or high neck.

### Soft White Blouses \$1.50

You may come intending to pay more for waists, and find just what you wish among those we are showing at \$1.50. Certainly these dainty new waists deserve higher price. There are many new styles, including sheer, fine fabrics with collar and edges in Bulgarian colors, various embroidery and lace trimmed lingerie blouses, very fine tucked lace waists with the daintiest of embroidered handkerchief collars, and two beautiful new styles in all linen tailored waists with low neck and hemstitched front—one with round collar and short sleeves, the other with button trimmed pointed collar and French cuffs.

### \$5.00 White Dresses

The groups we have assembled at \$5.00 includes some values that are really amazing—qualities and styles considered. The dresses are of fine white voile and other sheer fabrics, with heavy, handsome embroidered designs, and good laces, some with dainty eyelet work, some brightened with colored velvet ribbons. Other, and finer White Dresses in a great variety of styles up to \$25.00.

### Niagara Maid Silk Gloves

At Anniversary Prices

Those who come Saturday can buy pure silk, double-tipped gloves of this well known make at a distinct advantage in price. White, black, and colors will be priced as follows:

\$1.25 16-button Gloves for 98c

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### White Parasols

At Anniversary Prices

Women's and Misses' Parasols of white linen, and Dresden-bordered pongee, also plain bordered brown, light blue, green, and black-and-white checked. A special assortment at.....

98c

### All Leather Hand Bags 89c

One style, in modish, well made leather lined bags with narrow metal frame. Very special value at our Anniversary price—89c.

### \$10.00 Is So Little to Pay for These Wool Suits

that every woman who lacks a suit should make a selection at once. Unequalled values are found in the line we are now offering at \$10.00. All are suits brought down from higher priced lines, and include many of the most attractive materials and styles we have had during the season. The colorings are especially desirable.

### Evening Gowns for \$25

All who see these new evening gowns remark upon their unusual beauty, and how surprising it is to find such gowns at \$25.00. The styles are tasteful, representative of the season's best designs—and are developed in messalines and silk crepes of beautiful qualities. In evening tints, combined with fine nets and shadow laces, nearly all have bouquets of flowers at the girdle, some are embroidered with tinted silks in motif designs, on bodice or skirt. One style is shown in black messaline with bodice of soft, creamy shadow lace.

### Wooltex White Wash

Skirts \$2.50

The fact that these skirts come from the makers of Wooltex Suits and coats is sufficient assurance that they are remarkable values at \$2.50.

Several styles are shown—wide and narrow flat welt pique—with side button fastening, back-belts and other fashions. They are beautifully tailored.

### 69c One Special Lot Undermuslins

Good quality nainsook and cambric garments with fine laces and good embroideries—gowns, corset covers, skirts, and drawers specially priced for the Anniversary—69c.

ALSO GOWNS, corset covers and drawers—a special assortment including many good styles of new garments at.....

79c

### Needed Notions

Specially Priced for The Anniversary

Lindner's Little Lace Wash Buttons up to 25c. Buttons, doz. 10c. Kid Cutlers—good quality—two sizes. Special—5c doz. Hair Pins of crimped wire 16 to package, 7 pkgs. for 5c. Patent Hooks and Eyes card 1c. Bias Tape—12 yd. rolls, assorted widths—roll, 9c. Adjustable Dress Shields of very special quality, for 45c. Coat Hangers with skirt-hook—folding hangers. Special 3 for 25c.

### White Wool Suits

That Were \$25.00 to \$45.00 Are Now \$15.00 to \$25.00

The Anniversary prices which we have made on white wool suits offer an excellent opportunity for you to secure a fine suit at small expenditure. You have, in this collection, the advantage of choosing from the season's best styles—in suits of superb quality and tailoring.

### Silk Petticoats \$3.75

An array of brilliant hues and lovely soft tints in soft clinging petticoats of fine quality messaline, and some in Italian silk—such colorings as orange, toupé, mahogany, Nell rose, oyster grey, old blue, maize, bronze, and mole—and changeable colors, beside the staple browns, blues, and other shades. You will pronounce the values very exceptional \$3.75 at the price.

### \$2.50 Wash Dresses

A collection of attractive styles—dresses that are far superior to any you would find regularly priced at \$2.50. Good selections in dainty tissue frocks, sheer, and cool voiles—round or high neck styles.

\$2.50

### La Vida, W. B. and Other Corsets Half Price

Fourth Floor. W. B. Nuforn, Thomson's Glove-fitting, Royal Worcester, and Warner's Rust-proof Corsets—A few broken sizes of each—all good models. Regularly priced 75c to \$1.25 \$1.50 to \$2.50, for.....

LaVida Corsets One small lot of sizes 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, and 23 only—in some only one or two of a size. Good long corsets. Regular prices \$5 to \$9, for.....

Large W. B. Corsets A small lot of sizes 29 to 36 only. Several W. B. Reduso models from \$2.00 to \$3.00 for \$1.50 to \$2.50. A few \$3.00 Elastic Redusos at \$3.50, and a few that \$2.00

was \$3.50, at.....

All-Silk Hair Bow Ribbons

Up to 35c: 19c

Main Floor.

As an especially strong Anniversary attraction in the Ribbon Department, we will place our regular 25c and 35c quantities of pure silk taffeta ribbons, 5, 5½, and 6 inches wide, on sale Saturday at 19c yard. There will be a good assortment of popular colorings, for hair bows and other uses.

## Amazing values in All-new Embroideries and Laces purchased for this event

Our buyer visited the market expressly to secure for this event values in embroideries and laces that would be amazing. When you see what fine and beautiful materials are offered in these new lots you will agree that no values approaching these have been given this season, if ever before. The laces and embroideries offered are of the most desirable kinds and are all new and fresh, having arrived only today.

### 45-Inch Voile Flouncing

of the regular \$1.00 and \$1.25 qualities, with 18-inch embroidery work, beautifully wrought. 69c Saturday, yard.....

500 YDS. BEAUTIFUL ALL-OVER SWISS embroidery 22 inches wide, in small dainty patterns. The fine qualities priced regularly 65c and 75c. Presented Saturday at 38c yard.

38c

### 27-inch Swiss Flouncings

of very fine quality, worth up to \$1.00 yard. Hemstitched patterns in baby embroideries, fine scalloped patterns, and a few in large Venise and eyelet patterns. Yard.....

ONLY 100 YARDS OF THE FINE NAINSOOK and Swiss corset cover embroideries from lines that retail usually at 75c to \$1.00 a yard. So purchased that we can price them at 38c yard.

### Venise Lace Insertions

and some edges, also a few Macrame laces, up to 5 inches wide. Worth up to \$1.00, especially desirable now for summer dress trimming. 35c Yard.....

### 50c Shadow Laces

Allovers and edges, all 18 inches wide, in white and cream. 25c Yard.....

VENISE LACE BANDS and a few edges—mostly white; 1½ to 3 inches wide. 19c Up to 35c values, yard.....

### Wash Goods--Domestics

Second Floor.

750 YARDS 25c ORGANDIES at a special Anniversary price. Good lines of patterns. Yard.....

### White Goods--Linen

Second Floor.

WHITE BEDFORD CORDS and piques for skirts, suits, and children's dresses. 22½c Special Saturday, yard.....

40-INCH LAWNS for waists and dresses—very fine and sheer; also fine white voile, 25c value; fine sheer fabrics; yd. 19c

WHITE AND CREAM VOILES in stripes; 25c value; fine sheer fabrics; yd. 19c

ENGLISH NAINSOOK of fine quality for lingerie; 36 inches wide. \$1.59

HEMMED NAPRINS—bleached; \$1.25 values, good designs; 26-inch size. \$1.00 Dozen.

NAPRINS—All pure linen, from Germany, very heavy; 22-inch size; \$3.00 quality. Dozen. \$2.25

BLEACHED HUCK TOWELS—65 per cent linen, also Homespun crash towels, and Turkish towels. One 6 towels for 75c special lot.....

### In the Basement Store

PERCALE HOUSE DRESSES in a great variety of styles—checks, stripes and plaids—all good summer styles—low neck, and Dutch neck, with embroidered collars, short sleeves. Very special feature at.....

WASH PETTICOATS of striped and plain gingham and percales.....

CREPE KIMONOS—A new line, in flowered crepe, with silk trimming. Cut long 98c and full. Special.....

KIMONO-SLEEVED APRONS—10 dozen new aprons in checks, stripes, and figures. 35c Extra good quality percale.....

WOMEN'S UNION SUITS—Of summer gauge; regular and extra sizes; 2 suits 45c worth 35c. Special.....

PURE LINEN TOWELING of extra width; 18 inches; worth 15c yard. 10c Special, yard.....

## Women's and Children's Fine Hosiery Very Low Priced

Four lots of excellent hose will be priced so low on Saturday that every one should make it a point to buy as many pairs as possible. Main Floor.

### Wayne Knit \$2.50

Pure Silk Hose \$1.75

One lot of women's beautiful hose, the finest, purest thread silk, good weight, every pair perfect. In black only. Taken from our regular stock of Wayne Knit hosiery—the finest quality silk hose we have—and featured as an Anniversary special Saturday at \$1.75 pair, though the regular price is \$2.50.

### Children's Silk Lisle Hose 20c

This specially purchased lot of Wayne Knit hosiery is composed of what the manufacturers class as "irregulars." Not imperfect in the usual sense of the word, as the trifling irregularities of weave are not dropped or broken stitches, and are not detrimental to wear or appearance—though they prevent the makers from selling the hose at full price. We paid a very low price for this lot—and will sell them accordingly, at 20c pair, though none would be less than 35c a pair, if regular. You will find black, white and a few in tan, all fine silk lisle; sizes 5½ to 9½.

### Women's 50c Lisle Hose 3 for \$1.00

Beautiful sheer quality gauge and silk lisle hose, all regular 50c values, full fashioned, black, tan, and white. Anniversary special for Saturday, 35c pair, 3 pairs for \$1.00.

### Children's Wayne Knit Silk Hose 65c

Very choice values in fine, pure silk ribbed hose, for dress—Wayne Knit—the best you can buy. Black only, in all sizes from 5 to 9½. Our regular 55c Hose, Saturday 65c.

### "Futurist" Silk Coats \$15

These new coats made from ottoman and brocade silks, with very broad bands of handsome black velvet ribbon. They are short, very loose, and light in weight, being intended to wear over light summer gowns. The colors are mahogany, green, brown, taupe, black and changeable blue-and-green—\$15.00.

### Children's Finer Frocks

The finest, daintiest little dresses we ever had are ready now for your choosing—among them the sheerest and finest of cluster striped white dimity dresses, made with full length box pleats in Balkan style, with a very wide belt of black velvet ribbon slipped under the pleats. Price \$5.00.

White Figured Crepe in white, trimmed with bright colored buttons.....

Sheer Voile in blue or pink and white stripes in pretty, simple style.....

DOLLY VARDEN DRESSES of voile, printed in small tinted patterns, made with little round collar of fine lace, and pink silk sash. Exquisite, flower-like little frocks. Priced at.....

\$5.00

\$3.95

\$6.50

### Children's \$1.00 Dresses

These are really not dollar dresses at all—you will see at once that they are worth more. The assortment of pretty, girlish styles in gingham and pique, is such that you can make many selections from this one lot, at \$1.00.

### \$1.50 to \$3.00 Untrimmed Hats \$1

Fourth Floor.

An assortment of good styles in large shapes and turbans—mostly chip braids—in brown, navy, red and a few in black. These untrimmed hats are just the shapes most wanted now, and would sell regularly from \$1.50 to \$3.00. Anniversary Price.....

\$1.00

### Children's Hats

Special Lots for the Anniversary

50c STRAW HATS with ribbon bands, for small children—one small lot of 25c

good shapes—Saturday.....

\$2.50 LICHORN HATS—good quality, large soft leghorns, untrimmed, for girls up to 12 years. Special for Saturday.....

\$1.50

### New Panama Hats

Those who have been waiting to secure fine panama hats at moderate prices will be pleased with the qualities and styles of the new untrimmed hats which we have just received, in a good variety of shapes.

Medium and small shapes.....

\$4.75

Medium size hats for.....

\$5.00

Large size hats for.....

\$6.75

### The New White Feather Trimmings

are here for panama and peanut braid hats—including breast feather bands, wings, and straight ostrich feathers.

### Correct Stationery of fine Quality Box 25c

An especially desirable quality of stationery has been secured to feature at 25c a box. The paper is fabric-finished and has a good writing surface. 48 sheets and 48 envelopes in each box. All new, offered for the first time Saturday at 25c box.

### All Linen Handkerchiefs

At Anniversary Prices

Main Floor.

Women's Plain sheer or medium weight linen ¼ and ½ inch hems, 15c quality for 10c

Women's fine 25c Handkerchiefs, sheer or medium weight, plain, very special value at 15c

Women's 35c sheer or medium weight linen, plain, very special value, 19c

Men's Plain ½-inch hemmed, excellent quality, special 8c

Men's Initial all-linen handkerchiefs—2 for 5c.

### Toilet Goods

At Anniversary Prices

Main Floor.

Rice Powder, special packages, 15c.

Lablache Complexion Powder, special 39c.

Sempre Glovine (always young) special 39c.

Sanitol Toothpaste, special 19c.

Peroxide—8 ounce bottles, special 9c.

50c Kleenwell Rubber Sponges, special 25c.

50c Nail Buffers—large size with removable chamomile—special 29c.

Dressing Combs—good rubber combs, 8-in. size, special 10c.

Hair Brushes—stiff-bristles, rubber cushion brushes, special 45c.

Railroad fare refunded according to purchase.

# THE MILLS DRY GOODS CO.

